NOTES

- The 1991 Hunterian Society Medal competition is now open to all registered medical practitioners. Candidates are invited to submit an essay no longer than 5000 words on the subject: "Training in medicine." The essay must be original and unpublished and preferably based on the candidate's own observations. Three copies of the essay, in English, should be presented as typescript and double spaced to Dr J Rosenberg, Department of Rheumatology, Edgware General Hospital, Edgware, Middlesex HA8 0AD, by 28 February 1992.
- Dr. Greg Wilkinson, director of the academic subdepartment of psychiatry, North Wales Hospital, Clwyd, has been awarded the 1990 Bruce Burns Memorial Trust Award for his book *Depression*, a BMA Family doctor guide.

COMING EVENTS

Edinburgh Postgraduate Board for Medicine—Annual course in internal medicine for graduates preparing for the part I MRCP examination and refresher course for doctors, 13 January-8 May 1992, Edinburgh. Details from the postgraduate dean at the board, Pfizer Foundation, 11 Hill Square, Edinburgh EH8 9DR (tel 031 650 8088).

Portman Clinic—Conference on child sexual abuse, "Working together: is it working?" 31 January-1 February 1992, London. Details from the administrative secretary of the clinic Mrs P Harrington, 8 Fitzjohns Avenue, London NW2 5NA (tel 071 794 8262). PGEA approved.

Marie Curie Memorial Foundation— Study day "Multiprofessional teamwork in cancer care," 13 February 1992, London. Details from the education department of the foundation, 11 Lyndhurst Gardens, Hampstead, London NW3 5NS (tel 071 435 4305).

United Medical and Dental Schools of Guy's and St Thomas's Hospital Division of Obstetrics and Gynaecology—Course for preparation and revision for the DRCOG, 14-16 February 1992, London. Details from the department, 2nd Floor, New Guy's House, Guy's Hospital, London SE1 9RT (tel 071 955 4387).

British Medical Association—Preretirement seminar, 21 February 1992, Edinburgh. Details from Rosemary Weston, Superannuation Department, BMA House, Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9JP (tel 071 383 6138).

Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain Scottish Department—Seminar "Care in the community," 26 February 1992, Edinburgh. Details from Mr A MacDonald, Dumfries and Galloway Royal Infirmary, Bankend Road, Dumfries DG1 4AP (tel 0387 41551).

Joseph and Rose Kennedy Institute of Ethics—Course "Hospital committees and the ethics of terminal care," 8-12 March 1992, Washington, DC. Details from the institute, Georgetown University, 1437 37th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20057, USA.

British Postgraduate Medical Federation—Course "Working with the dying and bereaved" from February 1992. Details from the course coordinator Mrs Elizabeth Patience at the federation, 33 Millman Street, London WC1N 3EJ (tel 071 831 6222 ext 155).

LECTURES

For attending lectures marked * a fee is charged or a ticket is required. Applications should be made first to the institutions concerned.

Tuesday 3 December

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND —1 pm, Erasmus Wilson demonstration by Professor M Woolf: Aspects of the pathogenesis of atherosclerosis.

St George's Hospital Medical School—At Lecture Theatre A, Grosvenor Wing,

5 pm, rheumatology symposium with various speakers: Joints and the gut.

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD ICRF CANCER EPIDEMIOLOGY UNIT—At Committee Room, Green College, 1 pm, John Cairns: Mutation

Wednesday 4 December

INSTITUTE OF ORTHOPAEDICS—At Courtauld Lecture Theatre, Middlesex Hospital, 6 pm, Professor P S Walker: Computer design in total knee prostheses. 7 pm, Mr M A R Freeman: Total replacement of the knee: current problems and possible future solutions.

LONDON SPORTS MEDICINE INSTITUTE — At St Bartholomew's Medical College, Charterhouse Square, 7 15 pm, Mr J King: Traumatic knee injuries in sport,

ROYAL POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL—At Stamp Lecture Theatre, 10 15 am, medical staff round.

Thursday 5 December

BIRMINGHAM MEDICAL INSTITUTE SECTION OF ODONTOLOGY—6 30 pm, Dr Christine Hillam: "Was there life before the Dental Hospital? Early dentists in Birmingham."* (Followed by buffet supper.*)

Friday 6 December

MELVIN RAMSAY SOCIETY—At Edward Lewis Theatre, University College and Middlesex Hospital School of Medicine, Windeyer Building, Cleveland Street, 6 15 pm, Melvin Ramsay memorial lecture by Professor Peter Behan: Postviral neurological syndromes. (Light refreshments provided.)

BMA MEETINGS

Members proposing to attend meetings marked * are asked to notify in advance the honorary secretary concerned.

Division meetings

Barking, Havering, and Brentwood—At Academic Centre, Oldchurch Hospital, Romford, Friday 6 December, 7 30 for 8 pm, Professor Robert Davies: "Effect of pollution on the respiratory tract."* (Buffet supper available.)

Blackpool and Fyle—At Postgraduate Medical Centre, Victoria Hospital, Blackpool, Thursday 5 December, agm.

Bradford and Airedale—At Five Flags Hotel, Cullingworth, Friday 6 December, 7 30 for 8 pm, Christmas dinner and dance.*(Guests invited.)

Dartford, Gravesend, and Medway—At Boardroom, St Bartholomew's Hospital, Rochester, Thursday 5 December, 30 pm, open meeting, speaker Mr R T Marcus: "Are trusts a diversion?" (Cheese and wine available from 7 pm.)

East Hertfordshire—At Postgraduate Centre, Hertford County Hospital, Tuesday 3 December, 8 15 pm, business meeting

East Yorkshire—At Willerby Manor Hotel, Friday 6 December, 8 for 8 30 pm, joint dinner dance with the Hull Medical Society.*

Edgware and Hendon-At Postgraduate Medical Centre, Edgware General Hospital, Thursday 5 December, 8 pm, Squadron Leader David Gradwell: "Aviation medicine." (Preceded by buffet 7 15 pm.*)

Leeds—At Lakeside Restaurant, Roundhay Park, Tuesday 3 December, 8 30 pm, wine tasting followed by finger buffet.*

Mid Downs—At Dr Denise Moseling's home, 14 Paddockhall Road, Haywards Heath, Saturday 7 December, 7 30 pm, annual Christmas cheese and wine party.*

Plymouth—At Lecture Theatre, Postgraduate Medical Centre, Derriford Hospital, Thursday 5 December, 8 pm, divisional meeting.

Rochdale - At Rochdale Rugby Union Football Club, Moorgate Avenue, Saturday 30 November, 7 30 for 8 pm, annual dinner.* (Guests invited.)

Solihull—At Greswolde Arms Hotel, Knowle, Wednesday 4 December, 7 30 for 8 pm, annual combined dinner with the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund, speaker The Reverend Peter Hawkins: "Patients and parsons."*

South Bedfordshire—At "Junction 11" Restaurant, Luton and Dunstable Hospital, Thursday 5 December, 7 30 for 8 pm, agm.* (Hot meal provided.)

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